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# GET ALONG GANG™

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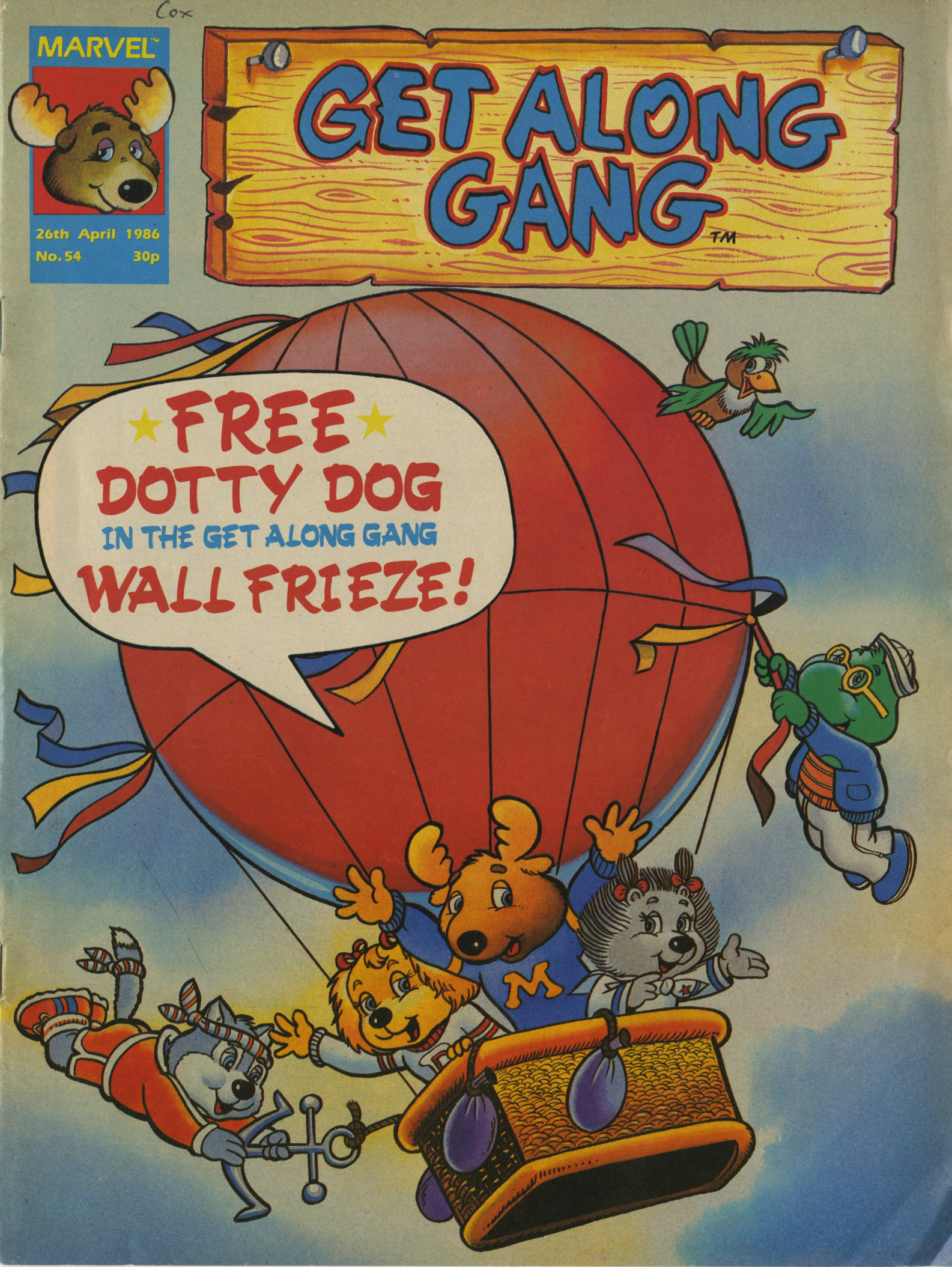

# FREE WILDLIFE JIGSAW FROM CADBURY'S!

## HI GANG!

**CAN YOU HEAR ME DOWN THERE!** Yes? Good. You see I'm sending this message from way up high in our beautiful balloon! Even from this height, I can tell you that it's a fun-packed issue of the Get Along Gang comic this week! Back down in Green Meadow, we have a most unusual visitor – in fact, I think I just saw her flying past! She's heading for a big, fluffy cloud – I think I'll follow her – **BYE!**

## GANG PROJECT

### SKY SPOTTING!

Can you make a list of everything moving and still you might see high in the sky? If you draw a picture of everything in the sky at the same time, it might look very crowded!

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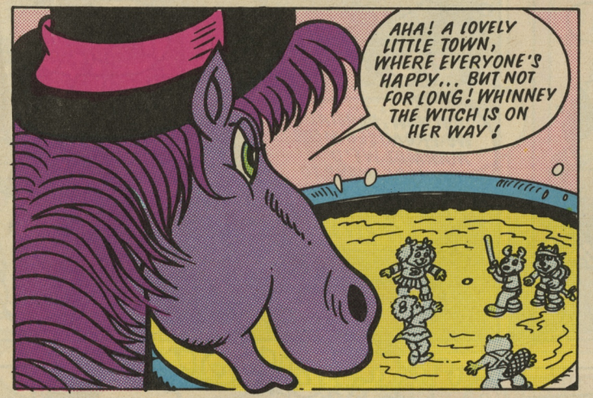
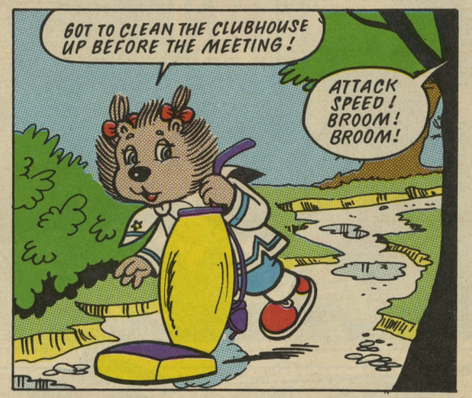
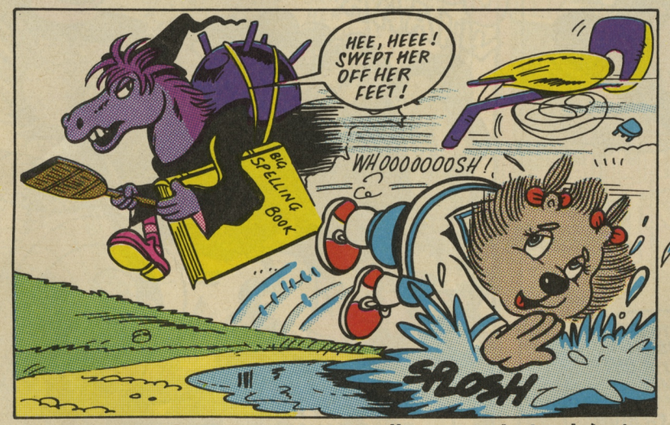
## ...IN SPELL OF TROUBLE!



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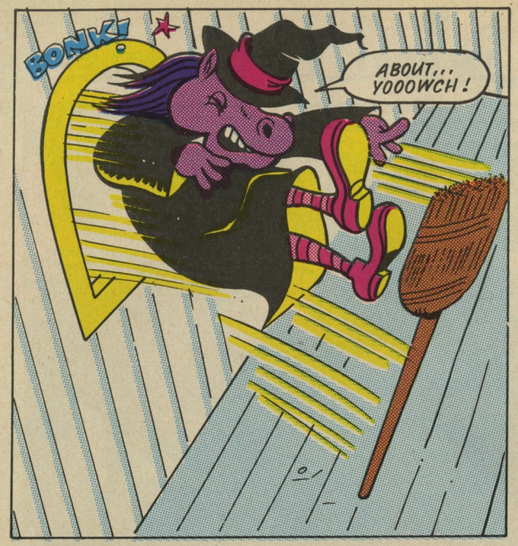
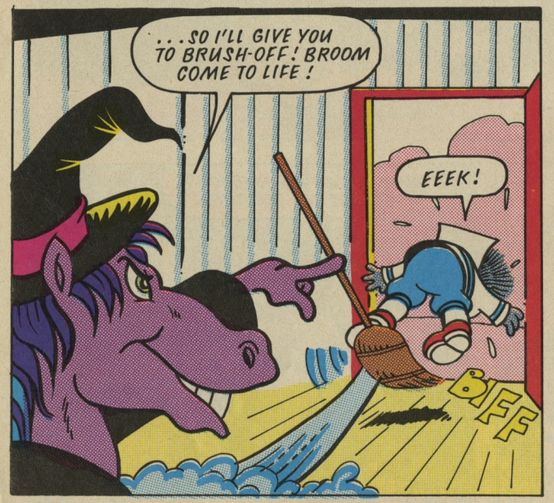
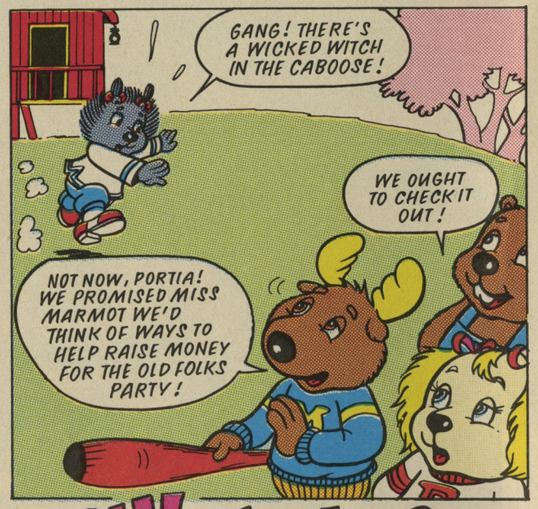
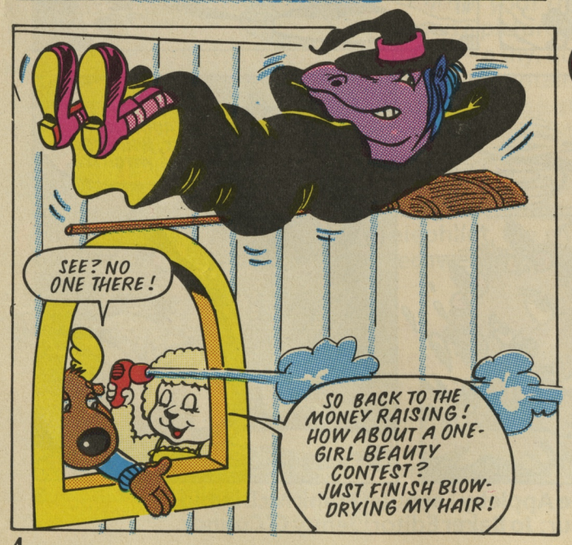

BONK!
ABOUT... YOOOWCH!

THIS CABOOSE BELONGS TO THE GET ALONG GANG!
USED TO, YOU MEAN! NICE STOVE. FOR MY CAULDRON. SHELVES FOR THE SPELLING BOOKS I'LL MAKE UP...

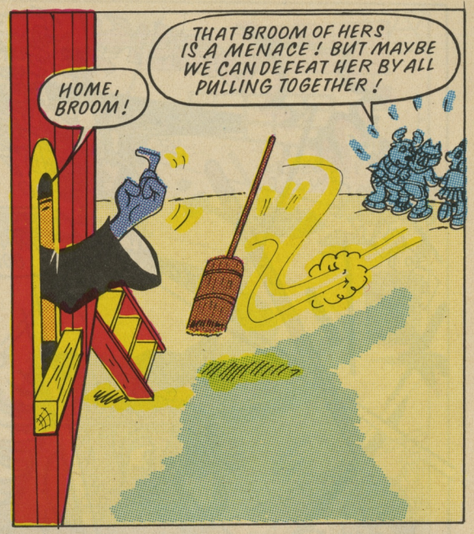

...SO I'LL GIVE YOU TO BRUSH-OFF! BROOM COME TO LIFE!
EEEK!
BIFF


GANG! THERE'S A WICKED WITCH IN THE CABOOSE!
WE OUGHT TO CHECK IT OUT!
NOT NOW, PORTIA! WE PROMISED MISS MARMOT WE'D THINK OF WAYS TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE OLD FOLKS PARTY!

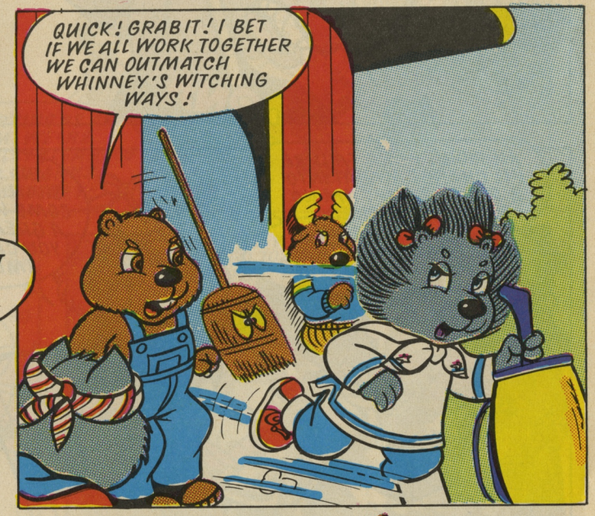

SEE? NO ONE THERE!
SO BACK TO THE MONEY RAISING! HOW ABOUT A ONE-GIRL BEAUTY CONTEST? JUST FINISH BLOW-DRYING MY HAIR!

OUGH! WHAAA-CHOO!
OH, OH. MY HAIR-DRIER CAUSED A PROPER DUST UP!

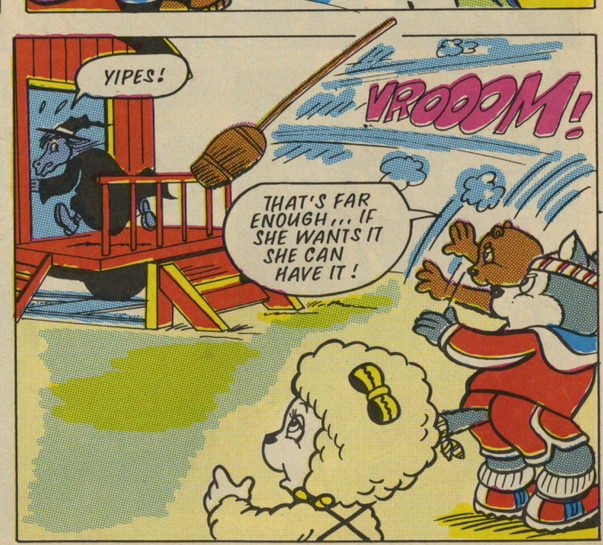
HOUSE CABOOSE
GET RUNNING, BEFORE I TURN EVERYONE INTO WARTY TOADS!
WHACK! WHACK!


HOME, BROOM!
THAT BROOM OF HERS IS A MENACE! BUT MAYBE WE CAN DEFEAT HER BY ALL PULLING TOGETHER!

ER... CAN I INTEREST YOU IN A VACUUM CLEANER? THAT OLD BROOM'S USELESS!
WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT. WHEN YOU SEE HER OFF, BROOM!


QUICK! GRAB IT! I BET IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER WE CAN OUTMATCH WHINNEY'S WITCHING WAYS!

COME BACK! C-O-M-E B-A-C-K!
KEEP GOING, GANG! STRETCH HER POWER AS FAR AS WE CAN!


YIPES!
VROOOM!
THAT'S FAR ENOUGH... IF SHE WANTS IT SHE CAN HAVE IT!

DONK!
TOPPLE!
WHIZZ!
WHEEEEE!
DONK!
ZOOM!
SIT... STAY... DOWN, BOY... OOER!
WHIZZ
ZIPPPP!
DONK

GROAN! BROUGHT TO BOOK BY THE GET ALONG GANG!
WE'LL TAKE YOUR BOOK OF TROUBLE TILL YOU PROMISE TO BEHAVE!

ALL RIGHT, I'M A FAILURE I'LL CHANGE MY HAT INTO A DUNCE'S CAP. I'M NO GOOD AS A WICKED WITCH! ONLY CAME HERE TO PRACTISE SPELLING!
AND SO YOU SHALL... I'VE COME UP WITH A GREAT WAY YOU CAN MAKE AMENDS!

GREAT IDEA, DOTTY. WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? LET'S GET ALONG, GANG!
OKAY! COUNT ME IN!

WORTH IT? NOT KIDDING IF IT CAN BE DONE!

I'LL GLADLY CHIP IN, FOR SOME HELP!
LEAVE IT TO US!

IT'S A NICE IDEA, DOTTY. BUT I CAN'T SEE YOU MAKING MUCH MONEY FROM...



SCRUB
ENAGEL'S
SPLOSH!
THIS IS EASY FOR A WITCH. BRUSH, SCRUB THAT WINDOW! FORK, DIG THAT GARDEN! YOU, PAINT THAT SIGN!
NEIDER SQUIRRELS ETS FACTORY
SWEEP! SWEEP
...SPONSORED SPELLING! HUUH?
WHOOSH!
DIG
DIG
WORKING AS A TEAM, WE'RE REALLY CLEANING UP. THANKS, WHINNEY!

BEING GOOD CAN BE FUN!
OLD FOLK'S PARTY
DO THE HOKEY COKEY
THINK GOOD, ACT GOOD... AND BEFORE YOU GO, I'LL HELP YOU LOOK GOOD!

AAAAGH! WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU, WHINNEY? YOU LOOK... PRETTY... AWFUL!
THE GET ALONG GANG SHOWED ME IT PAYS TO WORK TOGETHER AND HELP OTHERS! LET'S TRY IT!

NOW WE CAN SHARE THE STIRRING, THE SPELLS... AND WORK AS A TEAM FOR OUR FRIENDS OF THE FOREST!
MUCH BETTER TO BE NICE THAN NASTY! THANKS, BANG!
GOOD BAD SPELLS

THEY SAY A NEW BROOM SWEEPS CLEAN, BUT THE OLD ONE WHINNEY LEFT BEHIND'S MAKING A GREAT JOB OF THE CABOOSE!
YOU COULD SAY THAT AFTER AN UNSETTLED SPELL, EVERYTHING'S TURNED OUT FINE!
SWEEP SWEEP
SWEEP

Next week: Woolma leaves Green Meadow . . . **never to return!**

**The balloon sailed on. Past Gummyfoot Swamp and over Mr Hoofnagels and the Clubhouse Caboose. Would the gang ever see Green Meadow again!**

# UP, UP, AND AWAY!

By John Gatehouse

"**BALLOONS! GETCHA BALLOONS 'ERE!**" shouted the balloon seller at the Green Meadow Fair. He pulled a bright red balloon from his collection and offered it to Lolly. "Buy a balloon, Miss?"

Zipper pulled Lolly away before she could think twice. "No, thanks. We're too old for kids' balloons!" He pointed to where a cluster of hot air balloons were gathered. "Now those are **real** balloons!"

**"WOW!"** Portia gasped, looking up in awe at the pear-shaped aircraft. "How come they're so big?"

Zipper grinned. "They're like Montgomery – full of hot air! Ha! Ha!"

Montgomery ignored this remark. "This is a modern hot-air balloon," he told Portia, who always liked to know everything about **everything.** He pointed to a cannister underneath the mouth of the balloon. "This is a blow-torch burner. While it's turned on it fills the balloon with hot air."

"Come on! Let's get inside the basket," Bingo suggested.

"Er, I don't think we should . . .," Montgomery began, but the others ignored him. "Me first!" said Lolly.

"No, me!" said Zipper, pushing his way to the front.

In his haste to beat the others, Bingo tripped over the mooring rope and collided into them, pushing them all into the basket at once. He was left on the ground, his foot tangled in the rope.

"Silly rope!" he grumbled, and pulled the peg the rope was attached to out of the ground. "You won't trip me up now."

**"YIPES!** Bingo, you twit! Put the peg back in!" yelled Montgomery, but it was too late. With the balloon no longer moored, it rose swiftly into the air.

**"WAAAAAH!** We're taking off!" wailed Bernice.

At least the Gang were safe in the basket. Poor Bingo's foot was still tangled in the mooring rope. When the balloon took off, the rope went with it and Bingo found himself swinging upsidedown in the air underneath the basket.

**"HEEEEEEEEELLLLLLLLLLP!"** he screamed, all of a tizzy.

The balloon rose higher. The Gang looked down to find the ground getting further and further away. "Oh, lummy! How do you drive this thing?" cried Portia.

The balloon drifted along, heading for the town hall steeple!

"It's all right," said Montgomery. "We're too high to hit it!"

**"I'M NOT!** "Bingo squealed as the rope swung him in the direction of the steeple. "If you don't pull me up I'll be splatterficated!"

The Gang caught hold of the rope. **"HEAVE!"** they cried, and pulled Bingo into the basket just in time!

The balloon sailed on. Past Gummyfoot Swamp and over Mr Hoofnagel's heading out of Green Meadow. "If we don't bring it down we'll drift out to sea!" groaned Lolly.

Now a balloon basket is not meant to hold six balloonists at once, so the Gang were rather cramped. As they struggled not to stand on each other's toes, Zipper accidently knocked into the blow-torch burner which was still filling the balloon with hot air. **CLICK!** The burner switched itself off. There was a deafening silence.

"Yeeeks! What have you done?" cried Portia as the balloon began drifting to earth again. "W-We'll c-crash!"

"Stop moaning," said Zipper. "At least we're going in the right direction."

The balloon fell faster. Montgomery looked down at the ground and groaned when he saw a badger beneath them.

"Don'tlandonthatbadgerdont landonthatbadger!" he wished quickly, hoping a Good Fairy would hear and grant his request.

**WHUMP!** The balloon came into land . . . on top of the badger, flattening him into the ground!

Leaping out of the basket the Gang pulled the stunned badger from beneath it and dusted him down. "T-Terribly s-sorry," Montgomery apologised, hoping the badger wouldn't be **too** angry with them. "A-An a-accident. C-Could happen to a-anyone."

Two more badgers came hurrying up. One was carrying a large sack of money, the other, a gun! "Pesky kids! You've knocked out our getaway driver!" snarled the badger with a gun.

"Oh, cripes! Bank robbers!" groaned Bernice. "It's not our day."

"Don't worry, sir," Montgomery smiled. "You can escape in our balloon."

The Gang couldn't believe their ears. Montgomery helping the thieves to escape?

Montgomery got back into the balloon basket with the badgers. He switched on the blow-torch burner. The balloon quickly filled with hot air and started to lift off into the air again.

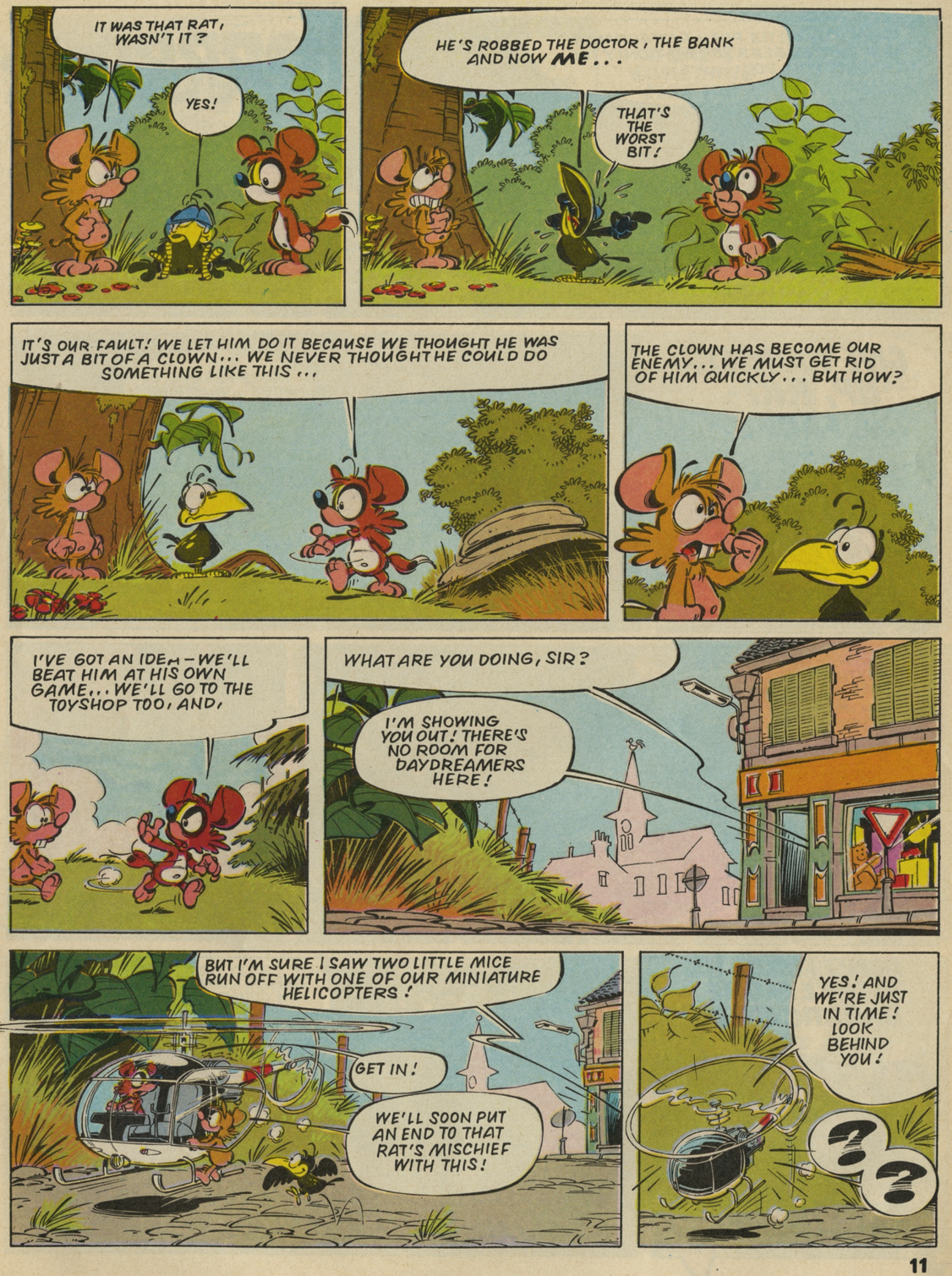
"Great thinking, kid!" said the badger. But before the balloon rose too high Montgomery jumped out of the basket. "Quick! Tie the mooring rope to a tree!" he told the others. This was soon done and the badgers were stuck in the balloon, high in the air. "Now let's fetch Officer Growler," said Lolly.

The Gang were scolded for going off in the balloon, praised for capturing the bank robbers and offered a free balloon ride as a reward. "N-No thanks," said Zipper, looking quite ill. "We've had enough ballooning for one day. We'd sooner play with these balloons instead." The Gang went over to the balloon seller and bought **all** his brightly-coloured balloons. "We can't get into any trouble with these!" they laughed.

The hilarious adventures of two little field-mice and their country friends!

# CLORO AND DIGBY

Birdbrain's newspaper has earned him his first big sack of hazelnuts . . .



FROM NOW ON ITS POSH RESTAURANTS AND SNAZZY GEAR FOR ME! ONLY THE BEST WILL DO!

RRRRRRRR

?

GIVE YOURSELF UP, RAT-FACE!

THOSE PESKY MICE... THAT BIRD... A HELICOPTER!

ANYWAY THEY CAN'T DO ANYTHING, THEY'LL SOON LOSE ME UNDER THE TREES! SO...

BLEBELEBELEB

DON'T FORCE US TO TAKE MORE DRASTIC STEPS!

THE ONLY DRASTIC STEP YOU COULD TAKE WOULD BE TO LAND RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME!



AND YOU CAN'T LAND HERE! THERE ARE TOO MANY TREES!

I'M A CUNNING OLD RAT!

HEE, HEE!

THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE WE COULD DO!

HA, HA! I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THAT IS!

PFKHUUU

?

PFKHUUU

YIKES! A BO...



YOU WERE RIGHT! I DIDN'T THINK OF THAT!

NOW CLORO, WHAT DO WE DO WITH HIM?

THIS WILL PROBABLY SURPRISE YOU, BUT I THINK WE SHOULD LET HIM GO!

WHA...? HE ROBBED ME!

HOW KIND! IT'S SO GOOD OF YOU TO LET ME GO!

YES, **BUT!**

TARRED AND FEATHERED... POOF! I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HUMILIATED IN ALL MY LIFE!

IT SERVES YOU RIGHT!

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

I'LL COME BACK ONE DAY AND I'LL GET MY REVENGE!

DON'T WORRY, READERS, THEY ALWAYS SAY THAT, BUT, BELIEVE ME, THEY NEVER RETURN (WELL, HARDLY EVER).

THE GET ALONG GANG ALL AGREE WITH THIS.

YOU LOOK VERY WORRIED, CLORO!

I WAS THINKING!

I'VE LEARNT A LESSON FROM THE PAST FEW DAYS: MY IDEA OF ORGANISING OUR LIVES HERE IN THE WOOD WAS A BAD ONE...

IF WE HAVE TO **EARN** HAZELNUTS, IF WE KEEP THEM IN A BANK, EVERYONE BECOMES FRANTIC TO GET RICH! IT'S MADNESS...

YOU'RE RIGHT! BEFORE, WHEN WE NEEDED HAZELNUTS WE JUST WENT OUT AND GATHERED ONE OR TWO, BECAUSE WE WANTED TO EAT THEM, NOT SAVE THEM...

ANYWAY, THESE ONES HAVE DROPPED IN VALUE, THEY'VE GONE ROTTEN!

SNIFF!

POOH!



AND SO WE'VE DECIDED TO GO BACK TO THE WAY THINGS WERE BEFORE!

BUT WE COULD HAVE BECOME RICH!

WHAT? WHAT DITCH?

REAL RICHNESS IS ALL OF US GETTING ON WELL TOGETHER AND HAVING FUN!

HE'S RIGHT! BEFORE WE STARTED WORKING SO HARD WE USED TO BE GREAT FRIENDS! I HAVEN'T HAD A CUP OF TEA WITH YOU FOR AGES!

YIPPEE! HEY! WE'VE GOT A LOT OF TIME TO MAKE UP!

SO HAVE WE! HOW ABOUT A DRINK TO CELEBRATE?

LET'S GO, EVERY-ONE!

WELL, THERE WE ARE! THANKS TO YOU, CLORO, WE CAN START TO ENJOY OUR...

...LIFE HERE IN...

VROOOUUTPOUTOUTT...

...AAH! WE'RE BACK WHERE WE STARTED!

...NO ONE TO REPAIR IT!

THE CAR'S BROKEN DOWN...

WHAT WE NEED IS PROPER ORGAN-ISATION!

SNIF!

THE END

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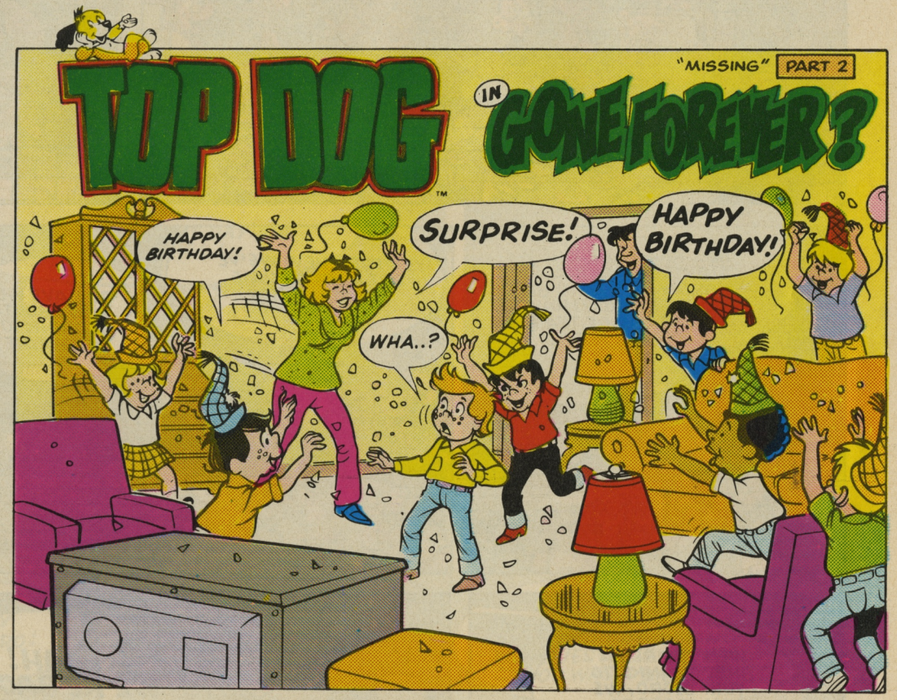
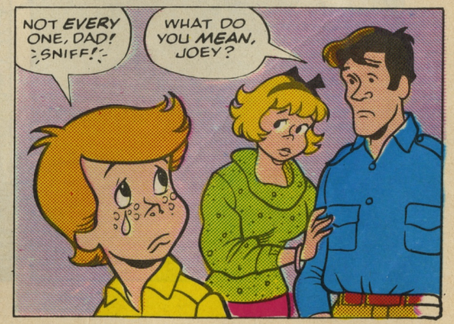
The secret life of. . .

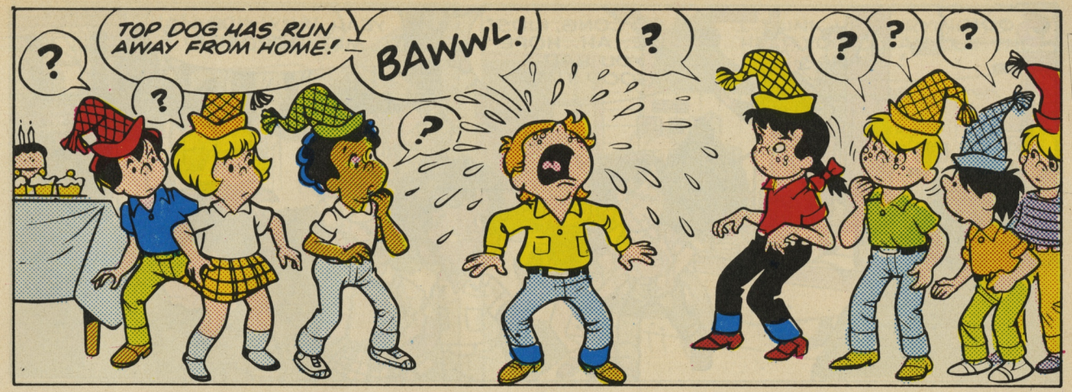
# TOP DOG

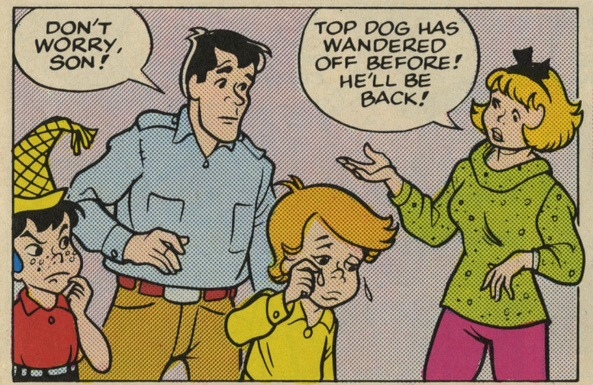
Top dog, hit by a car, has lost his memory. Birthday Boy Joey Jordan thinks that Top Dog has gone forever!

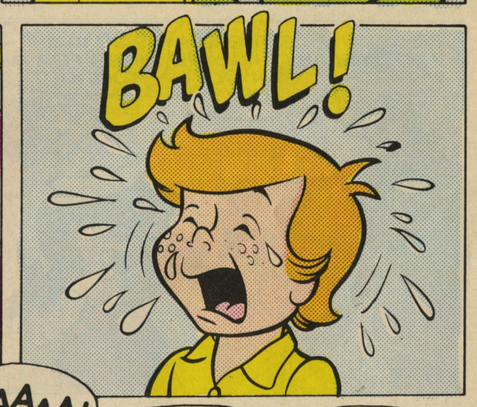








SOON..

SO LONG, KIDS! WE..AH..HOPE YOU HAD A GOOD TIME!

YEAH, AH...THANKS, MRS. JORDAN!

SHEESH! NEXT TIME JOEY JORDAN HAS A PARTY, REMIND ME TO STAY HOME AND CLEAN MY ROOM!

YEAH! AT LEAST YOU KNOW YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE FUN DOING THAT!

POOR JOEY! HE'S CONVINCED THAT TOP DOG IS NEVER COMING BACK!

IS THERE ANYTHING WE CAN DO, JOEY?

YEAH! THAT GOES FOR ME, TOO, KID!

THANKS, EVERYONE! SIGH!

I THINK I'LL JUST GO UP TO MY ROOM! SIGH!

AND AT THE HOUSE OF MR. AND MRS. WILSON..

WELL..IT LOOKS LIKE OUR LITTLE WOOFER IS FULLY RECOVERED!

WOOF WOOF WOOF!

HEH HEH! AND THAT'S A GREAT NAME FOR HIM, TOO, WOOFER!



HA HA! LOOK WHAT HE'S DOING, DEAR!

I THINK HE'S TRYING TO HELP YOU CLEAN OUT THE GARAGE!

NOW HE'S HELPING YOU WITH YOUR FLOWER BED!

OH...OUR LITTLE WOOFER IS SO CUTE!

AND INTELLIGENT, TOO!

WOOF WOOF!

YOU KNOW, TALENT LIKE HIS SHOULDN'T BE WASTED!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, DEAR?

WELL..I DO HAVE A FRIEND WHO RUNS A THEATRICAL AGENCY!

WE COULD PAY HIM A VISIT..

...AND FIND OUT JUST HOW TALENTED OUR LITTLE STRAY POOCH IS!

THE NEXT DAY...

HMM..YOU WERE RIGHT, WILSON! HE IS A *CUTE* ONE!

ANIMAL TALENT AGENCY

BUT IN THIS BUSINESS, THERE'S ONLY *ONE* THING THAT *REALLY* MATTERS!

CAN HE *ACT*?

DOG FOOD

WOOF...WOOF WOOF WOOF WOOF!

WOOF WOOF, YIP YIP... *YUM YUM!*

*WOOF!*

HE'S ONE OF THE *GREATEST* NATURAL TALENTS I'VE EVER SEEN!



HE'S EXACTLY WHAT ONE OF MY CLIENTS HAS BEEN LOOKING FOR!

BY THE WAY, WHAT'S OUR LITTLE ACTOR'S *NAME*?

WE CALL HIM *WOOFER!*

HA HA HA! WHAT KIND OF A NAME IS THAT FOR A *MOVIE STAR*?

OUR CUTE LITTLE PUPPY NEEDS A NAME WITH PIZZAZ! SOMETHING PEOPLE WILL REMEMBER!

HMMM...A CLASSY NAME DIDN'T HURT THAT *FINICKY FISHEATER'S* CAREER!

THAT'S *IT!*

FROM NOW ON HE'LL BE KNOWN AS *HORACE! HORACE THE DOG!*

*HORACE, THE DOG!* THAT DOES HAVE A NICE RING TO IT!

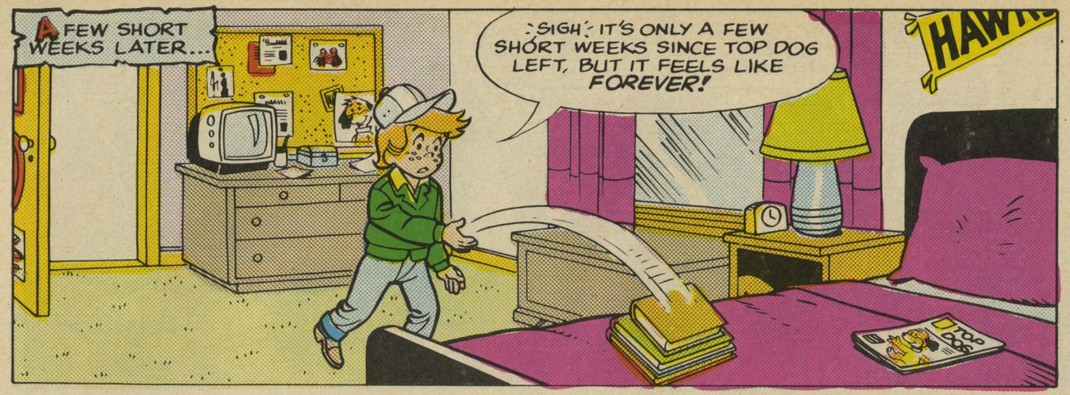
I THINK *HE* LIKES IT, TOO!

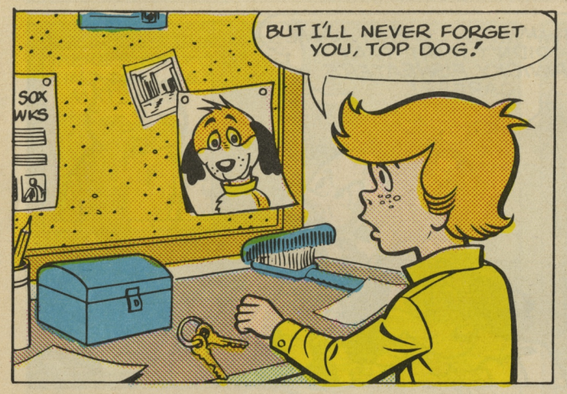
TAKE IT FROM ME...

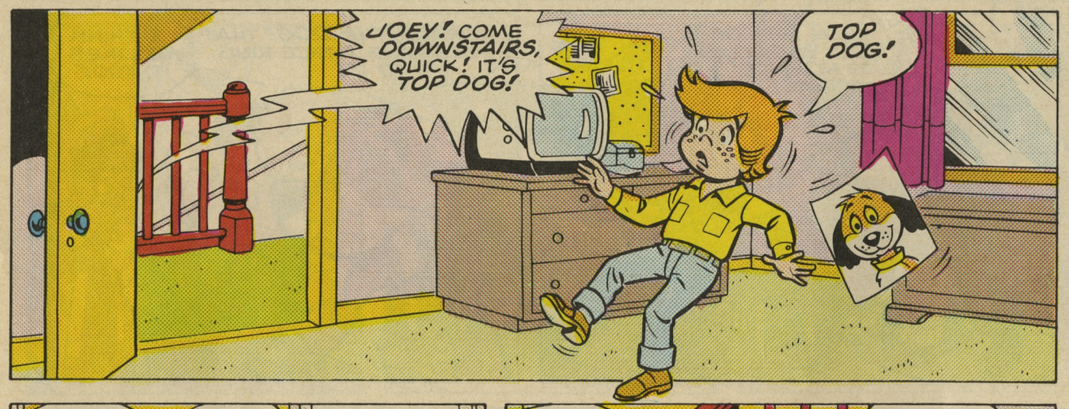
...IN A FEW SHORT WEEKS, EVERY T.V. VIEWER IN THE COUNTRY WILL KNOW THE NAME, *HORACE THE DOG!*

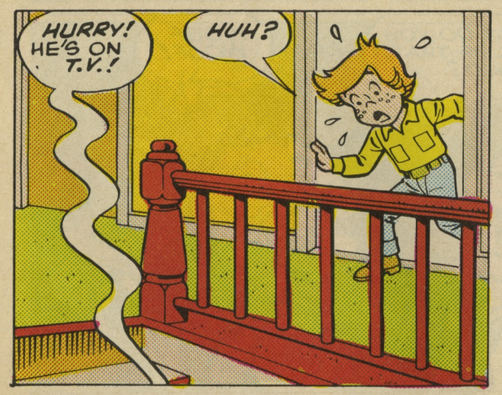
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT, KID?

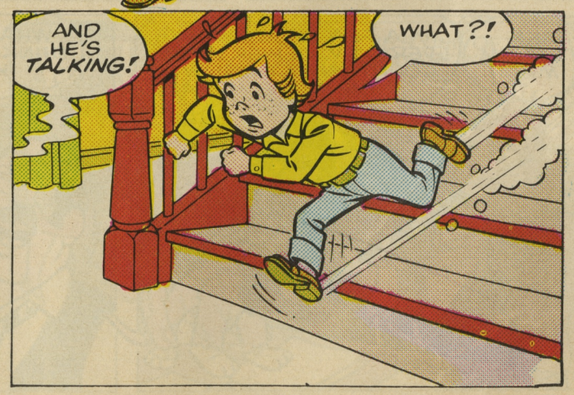
*WOOF WOOF!*








Next week: A star is born!

## NICE TO BINGO?

Dear Catchum,
Are you nice to Bingo? I've got a big cuddly toy of Bingo and I hope to get Montgomery and Zipper! I am joining the Get Along Gang club!
**Alexander.**

No, I'm not nice to Bingo, or any of the Get Along Gang – so you better make up for it by giving your Bingo extra cuddles!

## TEETH!

Dear Catchum,
How many teeth have you got?
**Rebecca Cowdrey.**

Not as many as I would like! I've had two teeth taken out recently because I ate too many sweets!

## DON'T LIKE?

Dear Catchum,
I don't like the Get Along Gang . . . I **LOVE** them! I watch them on television. My favourite character is Portia Porcupine. I'm not so keen on Woolma because she's always boasting!
**Stacey Vicers.**

I'm not keen on Woolma either . . . there's nothing worse than someone who boasts – not unless you're naturally brilliant like myself of course!

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## BIRTHDAY PEOPLE!

**Saturday**
Chantelle Robinson who will be 5, Katie Collins who will be 9, Gillian Stone who will be 7, Ryan Hore who will be 8.

**Sunday**
Mark Morton-Smith who will be 7, Jennifer Maclennan who will be 4, Ben Sulway who will be 8, Laura Pocock who will be 3, Gareth Wearing who will be 7.

**Monday**
Clare Third who will be 9, George Rennie who will be 9, Nicholas Garner who will be 5, Paul Johncock who will be 6.

**Tuesday**
James Corran who will be 8, Ben Goodson who will be 6, Leigh Gearing and Andrew Weeks.

**Wednesday**
Kerrie Hayes who will be 9, Danny Kearney who will be 5, Louise Fortescue, Hannah Ross who will be 10, Danny Kearney who will be 5, Jodie Buck who will be 7 and Kate Wordley.

**Thursday**
Lisa Bradburne who will be 5, Rebecca Leigh Mader who will be 9 and Ashling.

**Friday**
Vicki Thompson who will be 10.

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